

AUTHORITY

Statutory limitations on the size, weight, and loading of vehicles are contained in Division 15 of the California Vehicle Code. Section 35780 of said code grants discretionary authority to the Department of Transportation to issue special permits in writing upon valid application to exceed these limitations on State highways when good cause appears. This authority is delegated to the Department and is administered by the Division of Traffic Operations. It is unlawful to operate or move any nonexempt vehicle, or load exceeding legal limitations or duly posted weight limits, without a special permit referred to as a Transportation Permit.

The Department of Transportation has determined standards and conditions upon which such permits shall be issued and any permit not in compliance with such standards and conditions shall be invalid, except that a permit may contain more restrictive conditions if it is deemed appropriate.